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## **ALL AREA NEWSPAPERS RUN TSRAC PUBLICITY RELEASE**

### **FCC aids radio license applicants**

**The FCC in Washington, DC, has just recently made it much easier for the public to earn an Amateur Radio license with expanded privileges.**

**First, it has eliminated the need and requirement to take formerly required test on Morse Code (CW) operations. All such former tests have been eliminated!**

**The American Radio Relay League, an association of Amateurs in Connecticut, has printed and made available small books to explain the questions and answers required to pass such examination licenses available, which are given locally by accredited trained examiners of these clubs on public announced dates.**

**For example, the Triple States Radio Amateur Club, based in Pleasant Grove, will be giving ALL FCC Amateur Radio exams on August 18, at 1 p.m., at the basement of the Citizens Bank in Colerain at 1 p.m.**

**Please call 740-546-3930 for an appointment at this exam or other future exams to be scheduled and announced.**

**It is well-known that licensed Amateurs make local contacts with other Amateur stations all over the world, depending upon their mutual classes of licenses which have similar U.S. licensing requirements and operating frequencies.**

## ARRL NEWS SECTION

A major concern at the Board meeting the last of July was the topic of served agencies and background investigations. They agreed that pursuing federally recognized credentialing for Amateur Radio volunteers was critical for the ARES to function Chairman Bill Edgar, N3LLB, proposed that the Board adopt a policy with regard to Memoranda of Understanding with the various served agencies. The Board adopted a policy that "communications volunteers participating in ARRL sponsored programs should not be required by served agencies to undergo background investigations of any kind (but noted criminal background checks by law enforcement agencies are "general acceptable!". (This editor feels this may go back to the recent time when the Red Cross was going to ask for such checks?)

The ARRL was both pleased and displeased at some items in a recent House committee on communications "that there was a need for a national broadband strategy for affordable high speed broadband but ARRL David Sumner, K1ZZ responded via fax to Commissioner Adelstein's remarks, "I cheered silently when I came to your reference to the "current anemic definition of high-speed that includes service that is too slow to meet citizens' reasonable expectations," he wrote. "I was even more impressed with your statement in the next paragraph, "We must take a hard look at our successes and failures." Sumner, however expressed "great disappointment" over Adelstein's reference to "broadband over power line" (BPL) as a technology deserving of "increasing incentives for investment." None of your colleagues' testimonies contain a similar reference," he pointed out.

At the ARRL AWARDS:

2007 MeGan Award Daniel M. McMonigle

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2006 Instructor of the Year Award Dr William P. Birmingham, WC8WBD, Grove City PA

2006 Maxim Award Greg S. Davis, N3ZL, Florence, SC.

Distinguished ARRL Service , Section Mgr victor Madera KP4PQ

News: Revamped ARRL Membership Pages Go "Live" on Internet'

## FCC NEWS

**FCC DENIES VANITY CALL SIGN PETITION** On Friday, July 20, the FCC denied the petition of Quinten R.Erickson NORD (formerly N7GXA), of big Lake, MN requesting a reconsideration of his application for vanity call sign N7AZ. The FCC granted N7AZ to Jon F. Goering (formerly NJ7I) of Apache Junction, AZ on February 13, 2007 Section 97.19(c)(1) of the Commission's Rules provides that a call sign shown on an expired license is not available to the vanity call sign system for two years following the expiration of the license. This two-year period corresponds to the grace period during which the licensee of an amateur station may apply for renewal of the station and operator license. The expired call sign becomes available for reassignment the day after the two year period ends. Call sign N7AZ expired on January 13, 2005 and was available for assignment on January 14, 2007. Goering's application for N7AZ was received by the FCC on Sunday January 14, 2007. Because the application was received on a weekend, the FCC deemed it to be filed on the next business day, Tuesday, January 16. Erickson argued the the FCC should have dismissed Goering's application for N7AZ as "premature." The FCC said that Erickson "assert(s) that Mr. Goering's application should have been dismissed because the prior license was still reflected in the Commission's licensing records on Sunday, January 14, 2007. We disagree. That the Commission's records were not updated until after the weekend does not change the date on which the call sign became available to the vanity call sign system. Mr. Goering's application therefore was not premature."

Goering and Erickson's applications for N7AZ, the FCC said, were included in a lottery to determine the processing order of applications with a filing date of January 16, 2007. Of the applications that requested N7AZ, Goering's was the first selected. "Consequently, we conclude that his application was properly granted, and your application was properly dismissed," the Commission said. Erickson subsequently applied for vanity call sign NORD on April 10, 20 and received it on April 28, 2007.

DXpedition Approved for DXCC Credit: The ARRL DXCC Credit" DXCC desk reports that the 2007 DX pedition to Burundi, 9UOX, has been approved for DXCC credit. ARRL DXCC Mgr Bill Moore NC1L, said, "If you had cards rejected for this operation.

Syria to Celebrate 60 years of Amateur Radio: Syria, sill celebrate I 60 years of Amateur Radio in that country from Oct 15-Mov 15. In honor of this important milestone, TIR members will be using special prefix 6C60 pm HF bands during the month.

Recognizing the significance of recent FCC actions that included the removal of the Morse testing requirement, the Board set a goal of attaining 30,000 new licensees in 2008, increasing in the following years. With approximately 6,000 licenses disappearing from the ranks of Amateurs each year through attrition and non-renewal, the Board recognized the importance of striving to create real growth in the Service. The new licensing regime along with the approaching increase in sunspots can provide the motivation and inspiration for all hams to use to increase the numbers of licensees as well s as the interest level of all.



This picture of FD years ago is a crew putting up Club's beam antenna. Left to Right Is Richard McGee, KA8CDF – a Bellaire Ham? And Rob Crow, KA8CDC and another ham I should know!

# 2007 ARRL

## Great Lakes Division Convention

in conjunction with the 2007 Cleveland Hamfest

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2007 opening ceremonies at 11:30am

Location: Sheraton Independence Hotel, 5300 Rockside Rd, Independence, OH 44131

*We are very proud to announce our featured Banquet Speaker*

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- All about DX from beginners to Honor Roll Hams, seminars hosted by Tedd KB8NW, John K8YSE, Bernie W3UR, Don K8MFO, Bob K4UEE on VU7RD DXpedition plus a question & answer panel
- Wouff Hong ceremony after the banquet
- ARRL National EmComm Manager will talk about Emergency Communications
- Hospitality room courtesy of CARS, LEARA & NODXA
- Card checking - DXCC, 160 meter, WAS, VUCC, Fri. 7 to 11pm & Sat. 1 to 3pm
- Please visit our sponsor tables Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm



Joel Harrison W5ZN



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# NET CONTROL ROSTER

AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2007

<b>WX NET</b> <b>146.91</b> <b>WB8AQF (NM)</b> <b>TUESDAY NIGHT</b> <b>8:15 P.M.</b>	<b>20 METER CHAT NET</b> <b>14.347</b> <b>WA3ZAO (NM)</b> <b>SUNDAY</b> <b>5:00 P.M.</b>	<b>40 METER CHAT NET</b> <b>7.230+</b> <b>KB9NPH (NM)</b> <b>SUNDAY</b> <b>6:00 P.M.</b>
		AUG 05 – VOL
AUG 07 – KA8YFA	AUG 12 – KF8SR	AUG 12 – VOL
AUG 14 – WB8AQF	AUG 19 – WA3ZAO	AUG 19 – VOL
AUG 21 – K8AN	AUG 26 – WB8AQF	AUG 26 - VOL
SEP 04 – KA8YFA	<b>ALL VOLUNTEERS</b>	<b>ALL VOLUNTEERS</b>
SEP 11 – WB8AQF	<b>RECEIVE</b>	<b>RECEIVE</b>
SEP 18 – K8AN	<b>ONE YEAR'S</b>	<b>ONE YEAR'S</b>
SEP 25 – WD8DDE	<b>MEMBERSHIP FREE!!</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP FREE!!</b>

***WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR "ALL" NETS – BUT ESPECIALLY THE 40 METER CHAT NET  
 .... PLEASE HELP US OUT! THANK YOU.***

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT NETS

8:15	A.R. NEWS NET	146.91	K8AN
8:30	10 METER FONE	28.480	KA8TSR
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## ARRL DXCC HANDBOOK

By Jim Kearman, KR1S.

DX in ham radio shorthand means distance, literally talking to people in distant lands. Many radio amateurs enjoy the lure of DXing--seeing how far away we can communicate with other Amateur Radio operators. It's a way of determining how well our stations -- and we, the operators -- perform. DXing is a full-time goal for some hams and a just-for-fun challenge for others. The pinnacle of DXing success is the ARRL DX Century Club, or DXCC award. Author Jim Kearman, KR1S, discovered the thrill of DXing shortly after receiving his General Class ham radio license in 1963. After more than 40 years, the fluttery sounds of radio signals from faraway places still thrill him. In short, he still chases DX because it's great fun! First Edition. ©2007 ARRL.

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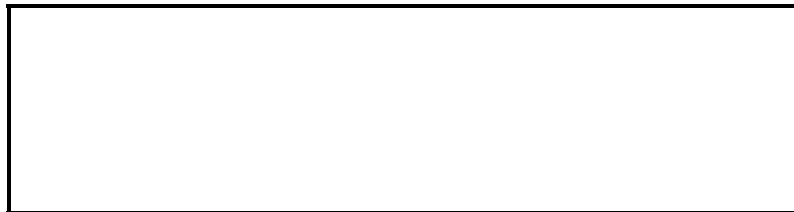
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